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Sir:

RESPONSE TO THE EXAMINERS REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant agrees that the combination of features recited in each of the independent claims is patentable. To the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance are inconsistent with or add additional limitations to the claims, Applicants respectfully disagree because the claims define the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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